

# Factsheet: Uzbekistan

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## DEFINITION OF YOUTH

The [Youth Policy Law](#) (1991) does not provide a definitive age range, but notes that the act applies to "citizens aged 14" and refers to an upper age of 30 years for specific programmes.

### CANDIDACY AGE

**Lower House** **25**

Source: [Inter-Parliamentary Union](#) Partially indirectly elected.

**Upper House** **25**

Source: [Inter-Parliamentary Union](#) Partially indirectly elected and appointed.

### MARRIAGEABLE AGE

	Without Parental Consent	Opposite Sex With Parental Consent	Same Sex
Male	17	--	XX
Female	17	--	--

No data for marriageable age with parental consent. Male homosexual acts are illegal, while female homosexual acts are legal. Source: [UNSD, ILGA](#)

### VOTING AGE

**18**

Source: [Inter-Parliamentary Union](#)

### MAJORITY AGE

**18**

Source: [Civil Code](#) (1997)

### CRIMINAL RESPONSIBILITY

**13**

**Minimum Age**  
Children of 13 may be prosecuted only for aggravated intentional homicide, 14 for serious offences and 16 for all other offences. Source: [Criminal Code of Uzbekistan](#) (1994)

## SITUATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE

### YOUTH DEVELOPMENT INDEX

**0.45**

128 out of 170 countries.

Year: 2013

Source: [Commonwealth Youth Programme](#)

### LITERACY RATES

**99.95%**

Both sexes (15-24) %

**99.90%** **100.00%**

Male (15-24) % Female (15-24) %

Year: 2015

Source: [UNESCO](#)

### NET ENROLMENT RATE

Secondary School

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Both sexes %

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Male % Female %

Year: No data.

Source: [UNESCO](#)

## SITUATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE

### PREVALENCE OF HIV

**0.1%**

Male (15-24) %

**0.1%**

Female (15-24) %

Year: 2013

Source: [World Bank](#)

### TOBACCO USE

Consumed any smokeless or smoking tobacco product at least once 30 days prior to the survey.

**2.20%**

Both sexes (13-15) %

**2.70%**

Male (13-15) %

**1.60%**

Female (13-15) %

Year: 2010

Source: [WHO](#)

## POLICY & LEGISLATION

The [Law on State Youth Policy](#) (1991), according to the [Youth Policy Article](#) (2011),

fixes the purposes and tasks of a youth policy, provides the legal and social protection of young people, and the youth's direct participation in formation and implementation of society development policy and programmes.

While the [Youth Policy Law](#) (1991) is not a comprehensive policy programme for young people, it does make specific reference to youth entrepreneurship, youth funds, youth organisations and youth social services. Additionally policy priorities have included education, youth social services, youth unemployment and support of young families. [Uzbekistan National News Agency](#) reported in February 2014 that the President had introduced "additional measures in the realization of

Is there a national youth policy?

**YES**

Uzbekistan has a national youth policy law from 1991. A 2011 article has details on the approach.

### GDP PER CAPITA

**USD 1878.09**

Year: 2013

Source: [World Bank](#)

### HDI

**0.654**

Year: 2013

Source: [UNDP](#)  
116 out of 187 countries.

### GINI

**35.19**

Year: 2003

Source: [World Bank](#)

### CORRUPTION PERCEPTION

**18**

166 out of 177 countries.  
Year: 2014

Source: [Transparency International](#)

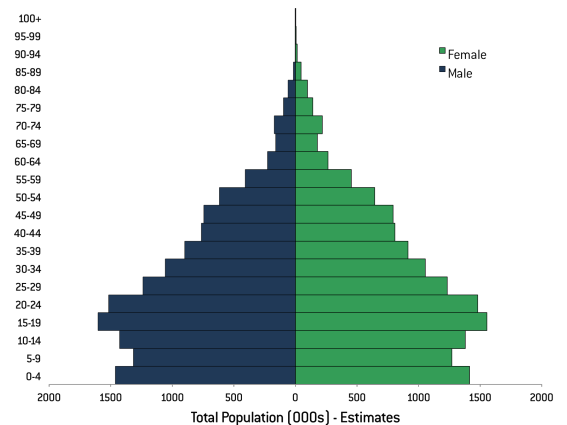
### PRESS FREEDOM

**61.01**

166 out of 180 countries.  
Year: 2013

Source: [Reporters Without Borders](#)

## POPULATION BY AGE AND SEX 2010



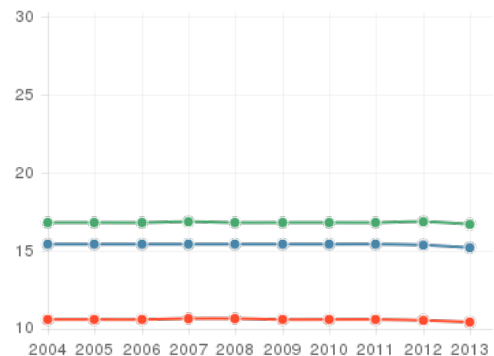
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Source: [United Nations - Department of Economic and Social Affairs - Population Division](#)

2012 Revision - Estimates. (Accessed August 2013).

## YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT

### Share of labour force aged 15-24 available and seeking employment



male - (15-24)

female - (15-24)

total labour force

Source: [World Bank](#)

Gaps indicate missing data from the original data source. (Accessed August 2013).

## BUDGET & SPENDING

What is the budget allocated to the governmental authority (ministry, department or office) that is primarily responsible for youth and/or

state youth policy".

## PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS

The [Law on State Youth Policy](#) (1991) details that "implementation of the state youth policy lies with the State Council of the Republic of Uzbekistan for Youth and other public executive bodies." However, no State Council nor Ministry or Department responsible for youth affairs can be found on the [Uzbekistan Government Portal](#).

Is there a governmental authority (ministry, department or office) that is primarily responsible for youth?

**UNCLEAR**

## YOUTH AND REPRESENTATION

The [official Facebook Page](#) describes the [Kamolot Youth Movement \(KYM\)](#) as an NGO that brings together 15,000 organisations and 5.5 million young people between 14-30. The [Uzbekistan National News Agency](#) noted that elections take place for specific roles and that it is involved in the "realization of the state youth policy". It is unclear how representative the KYM is. According to [UzNews](#), KYM has faced problems becoming widely known amongst Uzbek youth and has been accused of corruption and embezzlement.

Does the country have a national youth organisation / association (council, platform, body)?

**YES**

## BUDGET & SPENDING

No documentation on youth spending in Uzbekistan could be found online. The [World Bank](#) lists no data on public spending on education in Uzbekistan for the last ten years.

What is the budget allocated to the governmental authority (ministry, department or office) that is primarily responsible for youth and/or youth programming?

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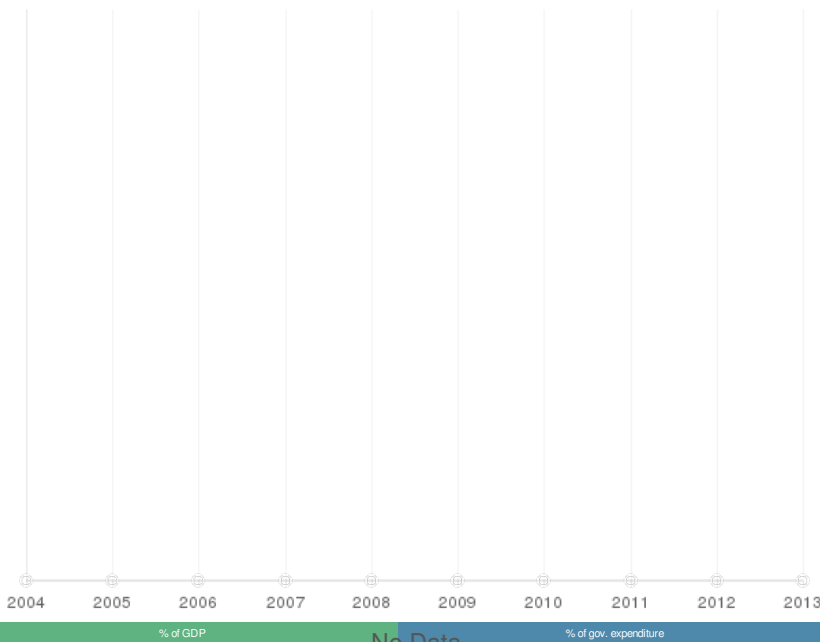
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No Data

% of GDP

% of gov. expenditure

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